

DEAR CHAIRMAN POWELL...CONSIDERING THE PUBLIC INTEREST IN THE AIRING OF DIVERSE VIEWS AND EACH INDIVIDUAL'S INTEREST IN FINDING SOMETHING TO WATCH OR LISTEN TO THAT IS INTERESTING, WHAT IS THE BIG DEAL IN HOLDING AN OPEN, PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS THE IMPACT OF MEDIA CONSOLIDATION?

ALTHOUGH YOU ARE NOT AN ELECTED OFFICIAL, AREN'T YOUR DECISIONS SUPPOSED TO BE GUIDED BY THE UNDERLYING PRINCIPLE OF GOVERNMENT FOR THE PEOPLE? OR EVEN TO KNOW WHAT THEY THINK?

I TRIED TO EMAIL THIS COMMENT ALL DAY YESTERDAY AFTER BEING TOLD BY ONE OF YOUR STAFF THAT I COULD NOT COMMUNICATE WITH YOU THROUGH USUAL E-MAIL PROCEDURES BECAUSE THE CFR REQUIRED THE PUBLIC TO COMMUNICATE SOLELY THROUGH THIS PORTAL, WHICH WAS BUSY ALL DAY. AS CHAIRMAN OF THE FCC, PERHAPS YOU COULD USE THE MEANS AT YOUR DISPOSAL TO FIND A WAY TO MAKE IT EASIER FOR THE PUBLIC TO REACH YOU.

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